

Remarks

In response to the above-identified Office Action, Applicant amends the application and seek reconsideration thereof. In this reply, Applicant amends claim 1. Applicant submits no new matter is added by these amendments. Applicant does not cancel or add any new claims. Accordingly, claims 1-43 are pending.

The Examiner objects to claims 1-14 because the term "said direct-current output" lacks the proper antecedent basis in independent claim 1. Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct the antecedent basis for the term "direct-current output." Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objection of claims 1-14.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 1928-14 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, particularly extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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